

REMARKS

Claims 1-40 were previously pending in this application. Claims 4, 12, and 28 have been amended solely to correct minor typographical errors and not in view of any matters of patentability. The amendments do not change the scope of the claims. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the amendment be entered before examination of the claims.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendment and remarks it is submitted that the claims are patentably distinct over the prior art and that all the rejections to the claims have been overcome. Reconsideration and reexamination of the above Application is requested. Based on the foregoing, Applicants respectfully requests that the pending claims be allowed, and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

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